


# Key Words with Ladybird

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Play with us



## Series a introduces new words



## Series b practises new words



## Series c links to phonics and writing



Readers will get the most out of the **Key Words** reading scheme when they follow the books in the pattern 1a, 1b, 1c: 2a, 2b, 2c: and so on.



The a, b, and c series are all written using the same carefully controlled vocabulary.



The Ladybird Key Words Reading Scheme has three series, each containing twelve books.

The 'a' series gradually introduces and repeats new words.

The parallel 'b' series provides further practice of these words, but in a different context and with different illustrations.

The 'c' series uses familiar words to teach phonics in a methodical way, enabling children to read more difficult words. It also provides a link with writing.

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## Key Words Reading Scheme

### 1a Play with us



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Peter

Jane

a dog   a tree   a ball

toys

a shop



Peter



Jane



a dog



a tree



a ball



toys



a shop



Peter

new word

Peter



# Jane

new word

Jane





# Peter and Jane

new word

and





here is Peter  
and  
here is Jane

new words

here is





Peter is here  
and  
Jane is here.

no new words





Here is  
the dog.

Here

new words  
the dog





Here is Jane  
and here is  
the dog.





Jane likes  
the dog  
and  
Peter likes  
the dog.

new word

likes





The dog  
likes Jane  
and  
the dog  
likes Peter.

The





I like Peter.





I like Jane.

no new words





I like  
the dog.





Here is  
a shop.

new words

a shop





Here is  
a toy shop.  
I like  
the toy shop.

new word

toy





Peter is in  
the toy shop.



new word

in



Jane is in  
the toy shop.





The dog is in  
the toy shop.





Peter has a toy  
and  
Jane has a toy.

new word

has





Peter has a ball.  
Peter likes  
the ball.

new word

ball





Here is the dog.  
The dog has  
the ball.





Here is a tree.  
The ball is in  
the tree.

new word

tree





Peter is in  
the tree and  
Jane is in  
the tree.





Here is Peter  
in the tree.  
Peter has  
the ball.





## New words used in this book

Page		Page	
6	Peter	30	a shop
8	Jane	32	toy
10	and	34	in
12	here is	40	has
16	the dog	42	ball
20	likes	46	tree
24	I		



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LA MASSANA - PRINCIPAT D'ANDORRA

Total number of new words: 16  
Average repetition per word: 10

## How do I use this scheme?

The Ladybird Key Words Reading Scheme uses the most frequently met words in the English language – Key Words – as a starting point for learning to read successfully and confidently.

## Why are Key Words important?

- 12 Key Words make up one quarter of those we read and write.
- 100 Key Words make up half of those we read and write.
- About 300 Key Words account for three quarters of those we read and write.

By learning to recognise these words on sight, children will be able to 'decode' most sentences much more easily and quickly.

## How do I get started?

- Draw your child's attention to the shape of each word: where are the tall letters? Where are the letters with parts that drop down?
- Encourage your child to recognise the letters that make up each word.
- The pictures in this book are intended to make the words easier to understand. Point to the pictures on the page as your child says the words to build the connection between words and what they describe.



# The Original Key Words Reading Scheme

Written by W. Murray

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With 90 million copies sold worldwide, the Key Words with Ladybird reading scheme is the springboard to reading for life.

**100 Key Words make up half of all those we read and write.**

This essential vocabulary is carefully introduced, practised and developed throughout the scheme.

- **Series a** introduces new Key Words
- **Series b** practises Key Words
- **Series c** develops Key Words using phonics and writing skills

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